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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of <u>executing applications in electronic</u> devices without application installation comprising the steps of:

installing an application in a memory device in advance;

connecting the memory device to an electronic device prior to use;

automatically copying the application as a linked shortcut in an [[OS]]

operating system of the electronic device;

showing an icon of the shortcut on a screen of the electronic device, and;

clicking the icon for opening the application, thereby enabling the electronic

device to run the application;

wherein the memory device is a portable disk having a USB connector so that
the memory device is adapted to connect to the electronic device having a USB port
by inserting the USB connector into the USB port; and

wherein the electronic device is a notebook computer having at least one

USB port so that the memory device may connect to the electronic device.

- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein the application has an embedded autorun.bat so that responsive to connecting the memory device to the electronic device, the application automatically copies itself as a linked shortcut in the

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[[OS]] <u>operating system</u> of the electronic device, the icon of the shortcut is shown on the screen of the electronic device, and a clicking of the icon opens the autorun.bat of the application, and the electronic device is enabled to run the application.

- 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the memory device further comprises a microprocessor and, prior to the step of automatically copying, the microprocessor determines if the memory device is connected to the electronic device.